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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 29 November 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

12.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Role of the Security Council in the prevention of armed conflicts

Other matters

3 p.m.	4072nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Role of the Security Council in the prevention of armed conflicts

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	64th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [39]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/492)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/54/L.23, A/54/L.33)

(c) Amendments (A/54/L.46)

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m.	65th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Question of Palestine [44]:

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/54/35)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/457)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/54/L.42, A/54/L.43, A/54/L.44, A/54/L.45)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

1. Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.37 *(item 97 (c))*

2. Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Daúl Matute (Peru), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.3 *(item 105)*, A/C.2/54/L.7 *(item 100)*, A/C.2/54/L.14 *(item 100 (a))*, A/C.2/54/L.15 *(item 100 (c))*, A/C.2/54/L.16 *(item 100)*, A/C.2/54/L.18 *(item 100 (d))*, A/C.2/54/L.22 *(item 100)*, A/C.2/54/L.23 *(item 100 (f))*

3. Informal consultations under the Chairmanship of Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.10 *(item 99 (d))*, A/C.2/54/L.11 *(item 99 (e))*, A/C.2/54/L.13 *(item 99 (b))*, A/C.2/54/L.20 *(item 99 (a))*, A/C.2/54/L.27 *(item 98(a))*, A/C.2/54/L.34 *(item 98 (b))* and A/C.2/54/L.35 *(item 98 (b))*

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57 and A/52/7/Add.2))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 126 (United Nations common system (A/54/30, A/53/688, A/54/434, A/54/483 and A/C.5/54/24))

6.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of Conferences (A/54/32, A/54/176, A/54/208, A/54/221, A/54/262, A/53/833, A/53/919 and Corr.1 (French only), and Add.1 and Corr.1 (Russian only), and Add.2 and Corr.1 (French only), A/54/7, A/52/1000, A/52/7, A/53/257, A/51/946, A/52/685, A/53/16 and A/53/669))

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Third session

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON THE CRIME OF AGGRESSION

Morning*-1 p.m.		Conference Room 4

* Following the adjournment of the 9th meeting of the Preparatory Commission.

WORKING GROUP ON
RULES OF PROCEDURE
AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO
PARTS 9 AND 10 OF THE STATUTE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.		Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Use of general temporary assistance for specific positions

DISARMAMENT COMMISSION

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on substantive agenda items and other organizational matters

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE
OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS
OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	249th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 35

The delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union, invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the European Union draft resolution on "Assistance in mine action" on Monday, 29 November 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (b)

The delegation of Canada invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Assistance for humanitarian relief, rehabilitation, and development for East Timor", to be held on Monday, 29 November 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20

The delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union, invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the European Union draft resolution on "Safety and security on humanitarian personnel and the protection of the United Nations personnel", on Monday, 29 November 1999 from 4 to 7 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" will hold informal consultations on Monday, 29 November 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The informal consultations will focus on the basic structure of the outcome of the session, as well as modalities for participation by non-governmental organizations. Further consultations will be held on Tuesday, 30 November, Wednesday, 1 December, and Thursday, 2 December, at 10 a.m., and on Friday, 3 December 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 29 November 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on A/C.2/54/L.34 and L.35: business and development)

9.30 a.m.-11 a.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on the political declaration on "Women 2000")

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77
(on item 20: humanitarian assistance issues)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

10 a.m.-12 noon	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on all environment-related draft resolutions)

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on A/C.2/54/L.3: poverty eradication)

2 p.m.-3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(coordination meeting on draft resolutions on trade and development (A/C.2/54/L.36), globalization (A/C.2/54/L.19), financing of development (A/C.2/54/L.38), external debt (A/C.2/54/L.2) and other matters)

6 p.m.-8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) will be held on Monday, 29 November 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Announcement

As from Monday, 1 November 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 30 November 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

3 p.m.	66th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

The situation in the Middle East [43]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/54/457, A/54/495)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/54/L.40, A/54/L.41)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	44th meeting	Conference Room 2
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 44th meeting of the Second Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	40th meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (b)

The delegation of the Russian Federation invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on the assistance for humanitarian relief and the economic rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, to be held on Tuesday, 30 November 1999, at 10.30 in Conference Room 7.

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Friends of the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences

The Chairman of the Committee on Conferences will hold informal consultations with interested members of the Committee on Conferences on Tuesday, 30 November 1999, at 2 p.m. in Conference Room D, to review a proposal affecting the draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 2000-2001 in accordance with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 35/10 A (A/AC.172/1999/CRP.11).

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An open-ended informal meeting of the Disarmament Commission will take place on Tuesday, 30 November 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All Member States are invited to attend.

The 1999 organizational session of the Disarmament Commission will take place on Thursday, 2 December 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. All Member States are invited to attend.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Economic and Social Council, to consider all outstanding matters, will take place on Thursday, 9 December 1999, at 10.30 a.m. Informal consultations on pending issues will take place on Monday, 6 December, at 10 a.m. The conference room will be announced.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 7 December 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 2.

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United Nations Development Programme

The United Nations Development Programme will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 2000* on Friday, 10 December 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETING OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 30 November 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Special presentation

There will be a presentation on "Social Policy in a Development Context" by Mr. Thandika Mkandawire, Director of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD), on Friday, 3 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The meeting, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Cristian Maquieira (Chile), is organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. All interested members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Fei Cheng (tel.: (212) 963-7882).

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The course will be held from Monday, 6 to Wednesday, 15 December 1999.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent missions of all States that will be members of the Council in the year 2000. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing, jointly with the German Management Academy (DMAN) and with support from the Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), the second session in the series entitled "Public-Private Partnerships for Sustainable Development". Session II will be on "Financing for Development Through Public-Private Partnership." The workshop will be held on the following dates: Tuesday, 7 December 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 8 December, from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note, a nomination form and a draft programme, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Tuesday, 30 November 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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There will be a technical workshop, organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, in collaboration with the Program on Security and Development (SAND) of the Monterrey Institute of International Studies (MIIS) and the Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), on Tuesday, 7 December 1999, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss a draft Light Weapons Field Guide for Development and Humanitarian Relief Workers being developed by SAND and BICC. The workshop will be chaired by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala. Members of permanent missions and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Copies of the draft Field Guide may be retrieved from the office of Mr. David Biggs, Conventional Arms Branch, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3170G; tel.: (212) 963-5598).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 25 November 1999

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC,
SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Twenty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

44th and 45th meetings

Consideration of reports [6]

(a) Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant

The Committee began its consideration of the third periodic report of Mexico (E/1994/104/Add.18). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on psychotropic substances. Vienna, 21 February 1971

Accession: Liechtenstein (24 November 1999)*

Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961. Geneva, 25 March 1972

Ratification: Liechtenstein (24 November 1999)*

Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol of 25 March 1972 amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961. New York, 8 August 1975

Participation in the Convention by virtue of ratification of the Protocol of 25 March 1972: Liechtenstein (24 November 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Paris, 13 January 1993

Ratification: Liechtenstein (24 November 1999)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: Bulgaria (24 November 1999)*

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Optional Protocol will be opened for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10 December 1999 by any State that has signed, ratified or acceded to the Convention, in accordance with its article 15 (1).

Delegations are advised to contact the Treaty Section in advance to arrange appointments for signature (Room 3200, tel.: 963-5047; fax: 963-3693).

It is also advised that delegations intending to sign the Protocol submit, where necessary, full powers in advance to the Treaty Section.

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Background briefings

In addition to the daily noon press briefing given by the Spokesman for the Secretary-General, all background briefings given to the press may now be viewed by delegations in Viewing Room 4, which is located in the corridor connecting the Viennese Cafe with the public concourse.

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Exhibit

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian art exhibit entitled "Follow the Star: Images from the Palestinian City of Bethlehem at the New Millennium", in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. The exhibit will be displayed from Monday, 29 November, to Sunday, 12 December 1999, at the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

The formal opening of the exhibit will be held on Monday, 29 November 1999, at 6 p.m. in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of the films entitled "Yoom ilak, Yoom aleik: Palestinian Refugees from Jerusalem, 1948: Heritage, Eviction and Hope", and "Mahmoud Darwish: As The Land is The Language." Both films will be shown on Monday, 29 November, at 1 p.m. at the Dag Hammarksjöld Library Auditorium. The film on Mahmoud Darwish can be viewed at the exhibit area from Tuesday, 30 November, to Friday, 10 December, during exhibit hours.

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World AIDS Day

An observance of World AIDS Day will be held on Wednesday, 1 December 1999, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The theme is "The Children Left Behind," children who have been orphaned by the AIDS-related deaths of one or both parents. Speakers include the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the Deputy Secretary-General, United States First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, H.M. Queen Noor Al Hussein of Jordan and UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Harry Belafonte. Three children orphaned by AIDS, from the United States, Uganda and Thailand, will tell their stories to Children's Express Reporter Alexandra Burke, followed by two panels: "Child care, Child welfare and clinical issues" and "Finance and funding issues". The observance is co-sponsored by Department of Public Information (DPI), the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, Inc. (BLCA), the Magic Johnson Foundation, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the World Bank, the White House Office of National AIDS Policy and the Global Health Council. Delegations and accredited media are welcome; Secretariat staff and NGOs will be admitted, space permitting, to the public gallery.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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